

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Hurrah for the Seventeenth!

The Mariposa should be in today.

Almost every office and store in town was closed Jan. 17th in honor of the day.

A Chinese leper arrived yesterday from Hanamau by the steamer C. R. Bishop.

The conclusion of Prof. Alexander's most interesting article on the Monarchy of Hawaii appears today.

The barkentine Dimond leaves today at 11 o'clock. All letters marked to be sent by her will be carried to the Coast.

An Adams power press is advertised for sale by the Gazette Company. See particulars in an advertisement in another column.

The lease of a piece of Government land in Kau, Hawaii, will be sold at auction at noon today in front of the Executive Building.

Paa, a policeman, took an American flag away from a boy on Wednesday evening and amused himself by tramping on it. He was most deservedly dismissed from the force yesterday.

The matter of bankruptcy of G. W. R. King will come before the Circuit Court of the First Circuit on January 20th, at 10 o'clock. Creditors are notified to be present to elect an assignee.

Both the Annexation Club and the American League presented a petition to the Councils yesterday, protesting against the appointment of J. W. Girvin to the position in the Post Office now occupied by Mr. Rothwell.

About 150 young people enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. Walter Dillingham last evening by going down to Ewa on a special train. The mill was visited, sugarcane was eaten, and the party returned home about 11 o'clock.

The National Band will give a moonlight concert at Sans Souci tonight. The concert is complimentary to a number of tourists at that favorite resort. Manager Simpson promises a treat to all those who care to attend.

Mrs. Maunakili Mahoe, a sister of P. P. Kanoa, of Kauai, died yesterday morning at a house on King street, near Sam Nowlin's, of heart disease. A large number of natives called at the house yesterday to pay their last respects.

The diplomatic corps did not recognize the holiday Jan. 17th. Minister Willis declined the invitation to attend the reception. No naval ceremonies were permitted. The officers were forbidden to attend the reception except in civilian dress.

A half Portuguese named Alick Nichol, presumably while under the influence of liquor, fired a .38-caliber revolver at Carl Bamberger, a member of Company A volunteers Tuesday evening. Nichol was arrested next day and charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

A number of petty officers from the cruiser Champion went out sailing in the ship's surf boat yesterday. The Misses Glade, Wodehouse and several young ladies were among the party with their taro-patch fiddles. The boat was provisioned for the cruise. After sailing outside the harbor several hours, the party then returned late in the evening.

A SAILORS' CONCERT.

The Y. M. C. A. Entertain the Champion Men.

The Y. M. C. A. has given several concerts to the sailors of the Champion, and they have been greatly enjoyed by the men. Another of the same kind was given last evening, at which the programme was furnished entirely by the men from the ship. A number of people were present, most of whom were sailors and marines from the Champion, and a few men from the Philadelphia.

The following is the programme presented:

1. Musical Overture.
2. Song—"Loss of the Vanguard"—D. Russell
3. Song—"Policeman Barker"—W. Cain
4. Sailor's Hornpipe—D. Russell
5. Chorus—"The Song that Reached My Heart"—F. Payne
6. Song—"Sailing"—J. G. Spicer
7. Song—"Nanyath"—W. D. Duffell
8. Song—"Sweet and Low"—A. Davis
9. Musical Overture.

SESSION OF THE COUNCILS.

The American League Resolves, Petitions and Protests.

A SPLENDID FINANCIAL SHOWING.

The Matter of J. W. Girvin Considered—Emmeluth Introduces an Important Resolution—Much Talking Done, but Not Much Business Transacted—Two Laws Postponed.

The Councils were called to order yesterday at 1:40 p.m., Vice President Wilder in the chair. There were present: Ministers King, Damon and Smith, and Councilmen Brown, Ems, Waterhouse, Tenney, Bolte, Morgan and Nott. Mr. Emmeluth entered during the reading of the minutes.

The minutes of the preceding regular meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the special session held Monday, January 15, were also read and, with a trifling emendation, approved.

PETITIONS.

The Attorney General presented a resolution from the American League, adopted at its meeting held January 12, 1894. The resolution is as follows:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, HONOLULU, H. I., Jan. 13, 1894.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY SANFORD B. DOLE, President, Provisional Government.

DEAR SIR: I am instructed by the American League to furnish you with the enclosed copy of resolutions adopted at a meeting of the American League held January 12, 1894.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, The Provisional Government has seen fit to allow two efficient field pieces, which are needed in the military defenses at the Executive Building, to be shipped away to the Midwinter Fair, and

WHEREAS, We deem it extremely necessary that all the artillery at present in this country be retained, under the present critical state of affairs, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we respectfully protest against any Government field pieces, guns or ammunition being allowed to leave this country.

I am Your Excellency's obedient servant,

THEO. P. SEVERIN, Secretary, American League.

Mr. Brown moved reference to the Military Committee.

Mr. Emmeluth saw no necessity for such reference. The American League was organized to make the military unnecessary. He thought there were considerations which made it questionable how far such communications should be received. It was high time that the Councils should show where they seek their support. He believed it should be simply from the Annexation Clubs of the island which could express their views by a vote. The Council should not recognize a special clique of men who were already members of the club. These activities should be in the club themselves. He threw these words out as a warning.

Mr. Brown coincided thoroughly with Mr. Emmeluth's sentiments, but thought that the Council should recognize the fact that everybody had the right of petition and of a hearing. It would be polite to refer to the Military Committee as the matter was within their cognizance. That committee could find that the fears of the league were groundless, if that was the case.

Mr. Emmeluth agreed that every one had the right of petition. But this came from an element which had ample representation in the Annexation Club. The American League had nearly 500 members, but that was only a fraction of the club. The constant reception of communications from these sources was a menace to the Government. It would be different if these men did not have full representation elsewhere.

Attorney General Smith thought that Mr. Emmeluth's remarks might be misconstrued. No one had shown more fidelity to the cause than he, but the speaker thought everyone had the right to petition in a respectful manner as this did. The guns were sent because it was thought they could be well spared, and would be a benefit to the country when exhibited abroad. Had the American League had a fuller knowledge of the facts they might not have found anything imprudent in this. He hoped the time would come when there would be petitions from the Hui Aloha Aina and every other hui. (Emmeluth: Is that your military policy?) They all have the right of petition.

The resolution was referred to the Military Committee.

Minister Damon presented the following resolution from the Annexation Club:

HEADQUARTERS ANNEXATION CLUB, HONOLULU, H. I., Jan. 13, 1894.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

GENTLEMEN: At a regular meeting of the Annexation Club held Saturday evening, January 13, 1894, the following resolution was introduced and passed, a copy of which I have been instructed to forward to your honorable body.

WHEREAS, It is commonly reported on the street that the Executive of the Government has decided to send abroad, for the purpose of securing the services of a person suitable to fill a vacancy likely to occur in the Postal Department, and

WHEREAS, Such action will only increase the present number of desirable men now out of employment which in the present depressed condition of financial and commercial interests is undesirable, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Annexation Club respectfully request the Executive to reconsider its decision, if report is true, as we are confident that we have now resident here men of families and property interests who have ability to fill any position in the gift of the Government.

We would recommend that whenever a removal or vacancy occurs in any department, that clerks holding subordinate positions be promoted to such vacancy in turn according to their ability or terms of service.

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Executive and Advisory Councils.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

J. W. JONES, Secretary Annexation Club.

Minister Damon also stated that he had received two letters from the American League in regard to the appointment of J. W. Girvin to the position in the post office occupied by Rothwell. Mr. Damon read a letter to the league explaining that he had offered Girvin the place. He said further that the name of Girvin was first suggested to him by a member of the Executive Committee of the Annexation Club. He had consulted his colleagues. It was hard to satisfy all claims. He had consulted the Postmaster General also and had written to Mr. Girvin, from whom he expected to hear by the Australia.

Mr. Emmeluth asked if the Minister of Finance consulted the Postmaster General before or after deciding to send for Mr. Girvin.

Minister Damon said that Mr. Emmeluth had been told by the Postmaster General that he had heard of the matter on the street, because he considered the matter as confidential between him and the Minister of Finance.

Mr. Emmeluth said the Postmaster General told him that he had not been consulted by the Minister of Finance in any manner on the subject, but that if consulted, he would prefer to advance men now in the office, and have the new clerk take the place thus made vacant. Those were his own views.

Attorney-General Smith sympathized with the feeling that strangers should not be appointed to places which persons here were competent to fill. But Mr. Girvin had lived here many years; knew native well; filled offices under the Government with great fidelity; had been postmaster, and was now Hawaiian Consul. He had been very active in working for the Government since the revolution in every way in his power and at considerable personal sacrifice to himself. He knew all parts of the islands of Hawaii, Maui and Oahu, and had special qualifications for this work. It was not a case of importing a stranger.

Mr. Brown knew the statement of the Attorney-General to be true, but he did not believe in sending away for men. Mr. Girvin had left the country with his family for good. Charity begins at home. He thought the Executive was wrong.

Mr. Waterhouse had nothing against Mr. Girvin, but there were men here who would be glad to get the work, and who could do it. He had hardly been able to believe the story when he heard it on the street. Mr. Morgan was of the same opinion. There were plenty of our supporters here who needed this, and ought to have a chance. The Annexation Club had been consulted but not the Council until action had already been taken.

The resolution was read and placed on file.

The Attorney-General read a resolution from the American League opposing the payment of a subsidy to the Paradise of the Pacific, as its owners were well known royalists.

The resolution is as follows:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, HONOLULU, Jan. 13, 1894.

TO THE EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY COUNCILS.

GENTLEMEN:—I am requested by the American League to send you the following resolution:

RESOLVED,—That the American League, in regular meeting, unanimously oppose the paying of any subsidy to the "Paradise of the Pacific," on account of its managers being of well known royalist principles.

I have the honor to be,

Yours respectfully,

THEO. P. SEVERIN, Secretary American League.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also another regarding Chinese immigration, as follows:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, HONOLULU, Jan. 13, 1894.

TO THE EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY COUNCILS.

GENTLEMEN:—I am requested by the American League to send you the following resolutions which were adopted at our last meeting, on January 15th.

WHEREAS, Chinese coolies to the number of 5000 are about to be imported to these islands, agreeable to a Statute of the land, and

WHEREAS, Cheap Chinese coolie service is a menace to free labor and a growing obstacle in the development of a Republican form of Government,

RESOLVED, That we urge upon the Provisional Government, that further legislation upon this subject be in the direction of excluding Chinese coolies;

RESOLVED, That while we are fully alive to the necessity for a moderately cheap field labor on the islands, we shall continue to object to the Chinese,

viewing them as dangerous and distasteful not only to ourselves, but to our steadfast friends in the United States.

I have the honor to be,

Yours respectfully,

THEO. P. SEVERIN, Secretary American League.

Mr. Brown moved the resolution be received and placed on file. The Attorney-General drew attention to the fact that this resolution and some others had been published in the newspaper (the Star) before being communicated to the Government. This was improper. He would also draw attention to the fact that the allegation of the resolution that 5000 Chinese were to be introduced was a misstatement.

On the suggestion of the Vice-President, the Attorney-General moved reference to a special committee of the Advisory Council.

Mr. Brown did not agree with the motion. At that rate, there would have to be special committees for every resolution which anybody chose to draw up. The action in the matter had been taken with great care, and the importation was burdened with the severest restrictions.

Mr. Emmeluth said the course of the discussion this afternoon illustrated what he had said before. We would be spending the whole afternoon here discussing resolutions from the American League. [Vice-President Wilder: Would you deny the right of petition?] No; but these people have another organization. He himself opposed Chinese immigration except under severe restrictions, and he hoped to introduce a bill in the near future.

Mr. Tenney moved reference to the Miscellaneous Committee.

Some desultory debate ensuing on the Chinese question, Attorney-General Smith drew attention to the repeated and unwary attempts which had been made by the Government in all parts of the world to get a more suitable class of laborers than Chinese and Japanese. Resort was had to the Japanese only because everything else had failed. Now the Chinese population had diminished, the Japanese grown large, and the late legislature, after long debate, had passed a law providing for the admission of a limited number of Chinese under restrictions of a severity unknown before. This was an experiment. There was nothing to conceal, and a desire to do nothing which was not for the best interests of the country. He favored reference to committee of the Advisory Council.

Minister Damon said the Japanese were not Asiatics.

Mr. Emmeluth said he would continue to call them so until he was disabused of all his geographical notions. He believed right made might, and would stick to his views as long as he believed them right if it cost his right arm.

The resolution was referred to the Miscellaneous Committee.

The Attorney-General presented the following resolution from the American League:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE, HONOLULU, Jan. 13, 1894.

TO THE EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY COUNCILS.

GENTLEMEN:—At the last meeting of the American League, held on January 15th, I was requested to send you the following resolutions:

WHEREAS,—It is currently reported that one of the most responsible and best-paid official positions within the gift of this Government is practically vacant, and is being reserved for a non-resident; and,

WHEREAS,—Such disposition is an affront to those who should have a voice in such matters, and is bad politics, and an almost unprecedented method of distributing patronage; and,

WHEREAS,—There are many suitable and deserving men upon these islands capable of filling this or any other post that may require the services of a trustworthy and capable citizen.

RESOLVED,—That we protest against this rumored transaction.

RESOLVED,—That we regret exceedingly that such action as this on our part should become necessary.

RESOLVED,—That since there has become apparent need for such a regulation, we suggest the adoption by the Government of a rule to the effect that, hereafter, non-residents are to be considered ineligible to appointment in the Government service.

I have the honor to be,

Yours respectfully,

T. B. MURRAY, President.

THEO. P. SEVERIN, Secretary American League.

The resolutions were received and placed on file.

REPORTS.

Minister Damon presented the weekly financial statement, and also a statement of the public debt, as follows:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 17, 1894.

Current Account, balance Jan. 10, 1894.....\$ 275,579 18

RECEIPTS.

Interior Department.....\$ 2,303 00

Customs receipts.....12,396 64

Fines, Penalties and Costs.....811 10

Revenue Stamps.....683 10

Water.....7,800 00

Post Office.....1,307 28

Brands.....6 00

Government Realizations.....83 33

Taxes.....2,317 88

Sale of Government Bonds.....3,000 00

Total Treasury Balance.....\$275,579 18

EXPENDITURES.

Judiciary Department.....\$ 1,311 75

Department of Foreign Affairs.....140 09

Interior Department:—

Salaries and Incidentals.....74 35

Bureau of Survey.....258 75

Bureau of Immigration.....1 50

Bureau of Public Works.....1,582 35

Bureau of Water Works.....95 41

Board of Health.....5,824 85

Miscellaneous.....1,586 95

Finance Department:—

Salaries, Incidentals, etc.....4,699 59

Interest.....564 00

Attorney-General's Department.....3,657 00

General Expenses Provisional Government.....4,257 11

Road Taxes to Special Deposit.....270 00

School Tax to Special Deposit.....240 00

Expenses placing Loan, 1893.....60 00

Payments under Sec. 2.....1,286 38

Total Treasury Balance, above date.....\$ 25,910 00

Outstanding Bonds.....\$2,065,200 00

Treasury notes.....40,000 00

Due P. S. Bank and P. M. G. notes.....675,416 95

Total.....\$3,380,616 95

P. S. BANK MEMO.

Notices this date of withdrawal maturing January, February and March, 1894.....\$ 33,799 91

Cash on hand.....26,590 91

EXPENSES PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT MEMO.

Exps. Prov. Govt. to date.....\$ 159,011 06

(This amount covers all expenses, including military and items not appropriated by the last Legislature.)

MEMO. CASH IN TREASURY.

Outstanding Certificates.....\$ 284,000 00

Certificates withdrawn from circulation and deposited for safe keeping.....\$ 25,000 00

Cash in Treasury to redeem all outstanding Certificates.....284,000 00

Total amount certificates.....\$ 312,000 00

Cash on hand Postal Savings Bank.....\$ 26,590 91

Balance to credit of twenty-six Road Boards, in Treasury.....45,062 79

Balance to credit of School Boards, in Treasury.....20,475 48

Available Cash, Current Account.....283,304 46

Total Cash.....\$ 375,433 64

Due current account from advances to loan fund.....\$ 54,282 70

Due current account from advances to Postal Savings Bank.....30,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Public Grounds.....\$ 39 55

Subsidy to steamers to Molokai, etc.....250 00

Forests and Nurseries.....55 80

Quarantine diseased animals.....50 00

Honolulu Fire Department.....301 82

Electric Lights.....63 23

Printing.....170 30

Lighting streets other than Honolulu.....24 93

Insane Asylum.....641 12

Total.....\$1,586 90

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC DEBT.

Jan. 17, 1893. Jan. 17, 1894.

Haw'n Gov. Bonds.....\$2,465,200 00 \$2,665,200 00

Due Depositors, P.S.B. 675,461 13 505,416 95

P.M. Gen'l's Notes.....140,000 00 169,000 00

Haw'n Treas. Notes.....57,000 00 40,000 00

Risdon Iron Works.....47,007 13

Less cash on hand.....203,649 40 283,304 46

Net Gain.....\$3,151,015 86 \$3,067,312 49

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* Bill for Dredger. Loan Act.

It shows a financial condition over \$80,000 better than on the corresponding day last year. There were one or two claims against the Government being adjusted. Minister King had purchased some lumber for additional wharves at the foot of Nuuanu. The Road Board had about \$12,000 of unpaid bills, which would be cleared off before the end of the period.

The report was received and placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Emmeluth introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS: The conditions of trust and responsibility implied by the management of the various bureaus and of the regulations created